PHYSICAL LIMITATIONS BLOCK WOMEN FROM TENNIS GREATNESS

Fair Sex Cannot Hope to Beat Men, But Can Improve Their Game, Says Great Net Star in This Week's Article.

to the lady contributors to ental principles of the game

Bundy's forehand. Her mastery there of a distinctly individual stroke illustrates the fact that it is possible for women to attain proficiency in the finer points of technique as well as building their game upon a solid foundation. Certain very violent measures resorted to by men, as in the case of the difficult American twist service and the leaping smash, must of necessity remain largely beyond a woman's range, but there is no reason, for instance, why women should not be better volleyers than they are.

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Setting aside the effort required for continual "running in," the average woman is more chary than the average man, about exposing herself to the rapid fire of a rally at the net. I think that, as in the case of a poor masculine volleyer, this can be largely counteracted by constant practice. Familiarity with a hard hit ball at close quarters will rob it of most of its terrors. As the wrist becomes strengthened the realization will follow that any close hard-hit ball may be met, at least, even if the return stroke has no very definite intention behind it.

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The racket will be found an easy protection, in the last analysis, against most chances of the player's being hit, and if the eye is trained constantly and courageously it is astonishing how many close volley shorts may be brought off with fair success by merely blocking the ball. And after this idea is mastered the follow-through I have already dwelt on might be added. After all there is some lunging and running to be done whether the player is close in or lingering around the base line, and a lady player who acquires some proficiency in "coming in" nine chances out of ten will soon have the "drop" upon her opponent of the same sex.

Just as one naturally cites California in discussing the general topic of ladies' tennis in America, so one thinks of England when turning to the sub-player, old or young likes to try to forget that he is up in the big show and put his whole mind on the ball game. If he can fail to see the huge stands and the big crowd and just remember that he is playing a game of ball and trying to do his part toward winning it he will surely succeed if he has the ability. The player who is doing everything in his power to win the ball game is the lad who catches the eye of the foxy manalies' tennis in America, so one thinks of England when turning to the sub-players is that they think too much of their base hits. This is a natural fault, for every player, old or young, likes to

amount of tennis that is played in Ema-land.

Tournaments are held everywhere on good courts, but, what is more impor-tant, the women take a keen interest in them, devoting almost all of their lei-sure in the tennis season to participat-

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BY MAURICE E. McLOUGHLIN.

(America's Greatest Teonis Player)... Ing in the various events, and they enter with a true, tennis spirit. They play more for the sake of the game and less for effect; in other words, it is a age girl to acquire a forehand like that of Mrs. Chambers than is the question whether a blue or a pink silk sweater sets her off more becomingly upon the court. It is just because so many ladies on the other side adopt this sensitive attitude of mind—realizing that what the game holds for them is deserving of more than a mere passing "parlor" interest—that so many excel. Their style of game is almost entirely a back-court game. In fact, this feature is typical of ladies' tennis in general, for it is in exceedingly rare in-

observations may not be amiss, for after all the fundamental principles of the game are the same, whether it is played by women or men.

The chief reason why the average dady's game differs so from that of a man is unquestionably a physical one. The vast majority of women players do not possess sufficient strength to hit a ball really hard, or the ability to cover the court with the agility a fast-moving tennis ball demands. I should hesitate to say that it is through lack of ability that the feminine player does not bring her game up to the masculine standard. It is purely a physical limitation.

Obviously the woman who is blessed with the physique, plus all the other requisities that make up tennis ability, is the one wno builds her game most alors masculine lines, and so surpasses her sisters in competition. Such laddes and the grant developed the greatest number of these years of the country in having developed the greatest number of these grand exceptions.

There are various reasons for this; perhape the principal one is climate. You will almost invariably find that an equable climate, engenders a design lack of the country in having developed the greatest number of these in California, especially find that are courted for the out of doors. So is a least love for the out of doors. So is a least love for the out of doors. So is a least love for the out of doors. So is a least love for the out of doors. So is a least love for the out of doors. So is a least love for the out of doors. So is a least love for the out of doors. So is a least love for the out of doors. So is a least love for the out of doors. So is a least love for the out of doors. So is a least love for the out of doors. So is a least love for the out of doors. So is a least love for the out of doors. So is a least love for the out of doors. So is a least love for the out of doors. So is a least love for the out of doors. So is a least love for the month of the love of the

Sporting Editor Star:

Will you kindly publish in the pink sheet of The Sunday Star any information you may be able to give regarding the Army-Navy foofball game this fall? If the game is played is there any possibility of it being played in New York? Thanking you in advance, I remain, Yours very truly,

The Army-Navy game will be played at the Polo Grbunds in New York November 27. Any specific information other than this will gladly be answered if the writer will detail his desires.

At Philadelphia.

Sporting Editor Star:
Please answer the following question in Sunday's plak sheet. From what club did Washington first secure Gallia?
W. H. N. Kansas City.

association, not to mention their tive personalities, which are relete to secondary position for the moas my remarks are confined printy to the tennis aspects of the case. Same thing has been true of Miss Brown, our present national chamburing the stages of her improveto a high tennis rapking she din approximately the same tennis as did Mrs. Bundy, and also was materially through the able tuition represent Nat the present national remain.

A FAN. Yes to both questions

utation.

He is likely to play far below his

may not have a chance to become fully accustomed to his surroundings or to

The Portland club has tried out thirty-two men so far this season and still Walter McCredie is not satisfied. And yet they complain of hard times in Portland. The club probably has spent \$2,000 for railroad fare this year.

spurred the other Oaks on.

The Southern League attendance record is going to fall by the wayside, if the prediction made by Secretary Watkins of the Memphis club is correct. According to Watkins, the Chicks are drawing larger crowds than any other city in the league, and in some instances better than two towns combined. Watkins believes when all of the figures are compiled at the end of the season the average daily attendance for home games of the Memphicinb will exceed 2,000.

FIRST PHOTOS OF PACKEY McFARLAND TRAINING FOR \$32,500 FIGHT WITH MIKE GIBBONS.



Packey McFarland is taking the ten-round fight with Mike Gibbons, sched-uled for the Brighton Beach Motor-drome, New York, September 11, very seriously. He knows he has a fight on

at the ball right-handed?"

McLinn in the Philadelphia

to stir up some little fuss in base ball one of these days. Of course,

Ledger. There you have a query that

never will be decided by the pas-

imers themselvec, for if put to a vote

But what do you think about it, Mr. Spectator? Have you ever given it a thought? If not, it's worth a little fan-

NOW THEY'RE RAISING A FUSS

ABOUT LEFT-HANDED BATSMEN

Plate Gives Him an Advantage Over

the Right-Handed Clubber.

vantage over his brother who swings term and call it a mental hazard. The

his hands, for he is to meet the clever-est man in the game with the possible exception of himself. He was ten pounds over weight Sunday, August 22, he admitted, while at work in a Chi-

curves all the time. Therefore, the

baffle left-handers as easily as right handers, while batsmen of the Cobi

atsman who possesses a good eye and

AMERICAN BOXING ASSOCIATION TO PUT SPORT ON HIGH PLANE

Contended That Portsider's Position at Promoters to Get in Closer Touch With Managers and Boxers to Bring About a More Harmonious Feeling.

Secretary of the control of the cont

in that way manages to keep numbers in pretty good condition all the while. He is of the baldheaded type of fighter and is well thought of in Australia, although he was never considered above the ordinary in California.

The American boxers who are over in a cleveland. There was a time when I Johnny found it hard to make the 122 in I Johnny found it hard to make the 123 in ringside and he would no doubt have well and the can make the weight all right and naturally prefers the poundage that suits him best. However, it is for the greatest good that the association is endeavoring to bring about a change in weights, so as to have the scale throughout the world uniform. Kilbane is a wonderful little fighter, despite the many knocks that have been the first to start and he beat Billy All that he can repeated that the same is a wonderful little fighter, despite the many knocks that have been much of a mirger, but that should not be to his benefit. Johnny could make the first to start and he beat Billy Yates in nine rounds. He is now a matched with Herb McCoy for the magathen route, for there are over the magathen route, for the route and

of the best of the white hopes, is matched for a return bout with Harold Hardwick at the Stadium soon. Bonds is quite a draw here and Baker is figuring on bringing Frank Moran out here to meet him.

"Billy Kramer, the Milwaukee lightweight, won from Billy McNabb in fifteen rounds at Melbourne and is now matched at Brisbane with Henri Demlen, the Belgian. Kramer is no longer a welter, as he weighs 154 pounds. (Kramer got a draw with Demlen.)

"Billy Murray and Mick King fought a slashing twenty round battle at the Stadium last Saturday night and although the referee gave the decision to King, all the American experts at the ringside thought that Murray had won by a mile. I have found out that the referees lean more to the clever performer than to the willing mixer and aggressive boxer.

"The people here are sunre great sports and never stop betting as long as they think they are right or as long as they think a boxer or a horse has a chance of winning.

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"Jeff Smith's money is still tied up and probably will be for some time, as the matter is in the courts here. It is claimed that Smith deliberately fouled Darcy and Smith claims that Darcy

GOOD AS A RESCUER

Tom Hughes of Braves is the Cleverest in Major Leagues.

PICKED OFF TEN AT FIRST

Boehling Has Nipped Seven, and Is Tied With Cicotte and Alexander for Fourth Place.

BY ERNEST J. LANIGAN.

ons, this brand of dope being somelecting it the opinions of two major of Brooklyn, Cheney of Chicago, Cooper Many of the corking men in this line

off the bases are as follows: Walsh, Scott and Cicotte of Chicago, Warhop and Caldwell of New York, Wood of Boston and Boehling of Washington. I have named seven instead of the required six, because if would be extremely poor judgment to omit the name of Walsh just because he is not in active pitching service. Walsh, in my opinion, is the master of all hurlers in picking men off and gluing men on to the sacks."

The choices of Evers and Moriarty are substantiated by the figures, which show it have made at the title.

Labor day Kilbane will go twelve a chance at the title.

Labor day Kilbane will go twelve fingers. "Long Tom" has ten victims boy, at a place near Cleveland. The getaway sack. "Death Valley Jim" chains eight victims, six nipped off first and the indications are that it will be witnessed by a large crowd. Milbane will have to be very strong to beat, or even get a draw with Kil-

ful record in this respect in 1914,

BY WEAK PLAYER

Unexpected Defeat in Last **Round Costs Him Western** Chess Asociation Title.

SHOWALTER IS WINNER AFTER AN UPHILL FIGHT

Washington Man Had the Honor Almost Within His Grasp.

blanca felt when he made his over turning a win into the loss which spelt second place in the last Petrograd tournament. Norman T. Whitaker is the gentleman in reference. After eight straight victories in the Western Chess Association championship tournament culminating in a brilliant win over his nearest and most dangerous opponent battle seemed over save for the garnering of the spoils by the Washington expert. Then came the first check, in the ninth round, when Hahlbloom, the Chicago champion, forced him to s draw. Still first place seemed sure fo the local star, as he was pitted in the tenth and final round against Widemeyer of Rolla, N. D., one of the weak "Long Tom". Hughes of the Braves mot only has proved to be about the best rescuer in the major leagues this season—he also has set the pace at picking ambitious or sleepy runners off their bases. Never before has anybody taken the trouble to find out how many athletes a hurler caught off the cush-

